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In re application of

Gilles GUICHARD et al.

Serial No. 09/904,459

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STABILIZED ACTIVATED DERIVATIVES OF CARBAMIC ACID, THEIR PROCESS OF PREPARATION AND THEIR USE FOR THE PREPARATION OF UREAS Confirmation No. 9090

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RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action of September 18, 2002, it is respectfully requested that the above-identified application be reexamined and reconsidered in the manner provided in 37 CFR 1.112, and in light of the Remarks that follow.

REMARKS

In the outstanding Official Action, claims 7-9, 12-14, 27 and 28 were further rejected under 35 USC 102(b) as allegedly being anticipated by GUICHARD et al. Claims 7-9, 12-14, 27 and 28 were further rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over LIN et al. or GUICHARD et al. These rejections are respectfully traversed.

It is respectfully submitted that the cited publications in the outstanding Official Action fail to qualify